

Chairman Julius Genachowski  
Commissioner Meredith Attwell Baker  
Commissioner Mignon Clyburn  
Commissioner Michael J. Copps  
Commissioner Robert M. McDowell

Federal Communications Commission  
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Washington, DC 20554

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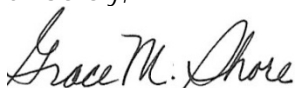
Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

The members of the Macomb County Chamber have seen first-hand how broadband and internet-based applications have fundamentally changed how we do business. Our organization and members have become increasingly reliant on internet-based services, including those available through wireless devices. For many of our members, internet applications now enable them to conduct business with more customers, not just in our area, but all over the state and country. And given the pace of technological innovation, it is also exciting to note the incredible advances in e-commerce, telemedicine and cloud computing services that are on the horizon for our members.

We are concerned that the proposed net neutrality regulations will hinder these advances and potentially slow broadband deployment. The robust internet applications our members will require in the future will depend on greater broadband capacity and sophisticated data traffic management capabilities by internet service providers. The proposed net neutrality regulations on how providers manage the current exponential increases in data traffic on their networks will likely impede their ability to offer innovative services to businesses and consumers alike.

The net neutrality regulations being considered by the FCC set an entirely new course for U.S. broadband policy, making potentially every data bit and byte open to regulation. Such regulations of the complex business and technical decisions made by internet service providers are not a recipe for fostering continued innovation and broadband investment. Neither are these regulations in the interest of our members, who will need the same technology innovations and broadband capacity to grow their businesses in the future.

Sincerely,



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